

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the specification, the paragraphs beginning at page 9, line 24; page 10, line 14; and page 10, line 24 have been amended to insert reference numerals to previously described components which were not shown on the drawings.

In amended Figures 1, 3 and 4, the previously omitted element numerals 34, 56, 57 and 66 have been added.

Claims 1-2, 4, and 6-18 remain in this application. Claims 3 and 5 have been canceled. Claims 12-17 have been withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner. Claim 18 has been added.

In response to the Office Action, Applicant requests re-examination and reconsideration of this application for patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 132.

Objections to the Drawings

The drawings have been objected to for failure to show every claimed feature. It should be noted that the brief Description of the Drawings refers to Fig.s 1-4 as showing the invention. Therefore, all the Fig.s must be referred to when reading the specification. For example, as originally filed, "an integral temperature controlled compartment adapted to connect to the vehicle electrical system," is denoted by reference numeral 18; The "insulated walls" is denoted by reference numeral 63; The

"electrically powered compressor" is denoted by reference numeral 32; and the "electrical heating unit" is denoted by reference numeral 33. A "door latch" was denoted by reference numeral 62.

In the amended drawings a depiction of the printer 34 is added and another door latch 66 is added. No new matter is added.

With regard to electrical connections, the incorporation of the invention into the electrical wiring of a vehicle is conventional and well within the ability of one skilled in the art to which the specification is directed.

With regard to the demand for formal drawings, the demand seems somewhat premature until the Examiner has given approval for any corrections.

Objections to the Specification

The specification has been objected to for the form of the trademark "PICSTIC". This trademark was capitalized and the generic terminology followed in the same paragraph on page 8 of the specification.

Rejections under 35 USC 112

Claims 1-11 stand rejected as unsupported by the disclosure. As mentioned above, the Brief Description of the Drawings states that the invention is depicted in all the drawings. Also, page 7,

lines 7-9 state,

"Also present in the cab 12 is an temperature gauge 17 indicating the temperature in the temperature controlled compartment 18." (Emphasis added)

Further on in the specification, at page 11, line 14, there is the statement,

" The interior of the device is shown in Fig. 4. The door, side walls, bottom and top of the temperature controlled compartment have insulation 63 for assisting in maintaining interior temperature." (Emphasis added)

The term "integral" is used in the normal dictionary meaning of - - necessary for completeness - -. The compartment may be built in or it may be a separable unit but, in both cases, it is integral to the electrical system of the vehicle.

The electrical heating unit is denoted by the reference numeral 33 and described in the specification.

The invention is adequately disclosed to permit one of ordinary skill in the art to make and use the device.

Claims 1-11 stand rejected as failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the invention. With regard to claim 1, see the above comment concerning the term, "integral." Further,

the term, "integral," was not used, in claim 1, in conjunction with the refrigerating unit, the clauses in which the terms appear are separated by commas as per usual claim construction.

The heating unit is shown in the compartment, in Fig. 4, as is the vent 64 which connects the refrigeration unit to the interior. The devices are "mounted on" the compartment as shown and described in the specification.

Amended claim 2 recites that the computer is connected to the electrical system.

With regard to claims 4 and 5, claim 5 has been canceled. Claim 4 has been amended to define the certain temperature or level.

The term, "approximately," is a standard term of art in patent claims which denotes some flexibility in exact measurements to cover the reality of building a particular device, among other things. The term does not render a claim indefinite.

Rejections under 35 USC 102(b)

Claim 1 stands rejected as anticipated by Bingham et al. Bingham is directed to a pizza truck with a separate refrigerator and oven in the bed of a pick-up truck. The bed has a "topper" covering the components. Evidently, the Examiner is equating the cargo space within the bed and the topper as the "temperature


controlled compartment" however, there is no disclosure, in Bingham, of any attempt to control the temperature in the bed. Bingham teaches that the cargo compartment is vented to the atmosphere. Further, there is no indication that the two components (the oven and the refrigerator) can be combined into one unit as claimed here. Bingham does not show or describe all the claimed elements therefore, there is no anticipation of the claim.

With regard to the Bishop,II patent, the temperature controlled compartment is heated and cooled by heat pumps using Peltier thermoelectric devices. This technology is totally different than the mechanical refrigerator and electrical resistance heating of the instant invention. Further, there is no motivation for combining the Bingham patent with the Bishop patent since cooking a pizza would require more power than available.

SUMMARY

In light of the foregoing remarks and amendment to the claims, it is respectfully submitted that the Examiner will now find the claims of the application allowable. Favorable reconsideration of the application is courteously requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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APPENDIX

FIG. 1

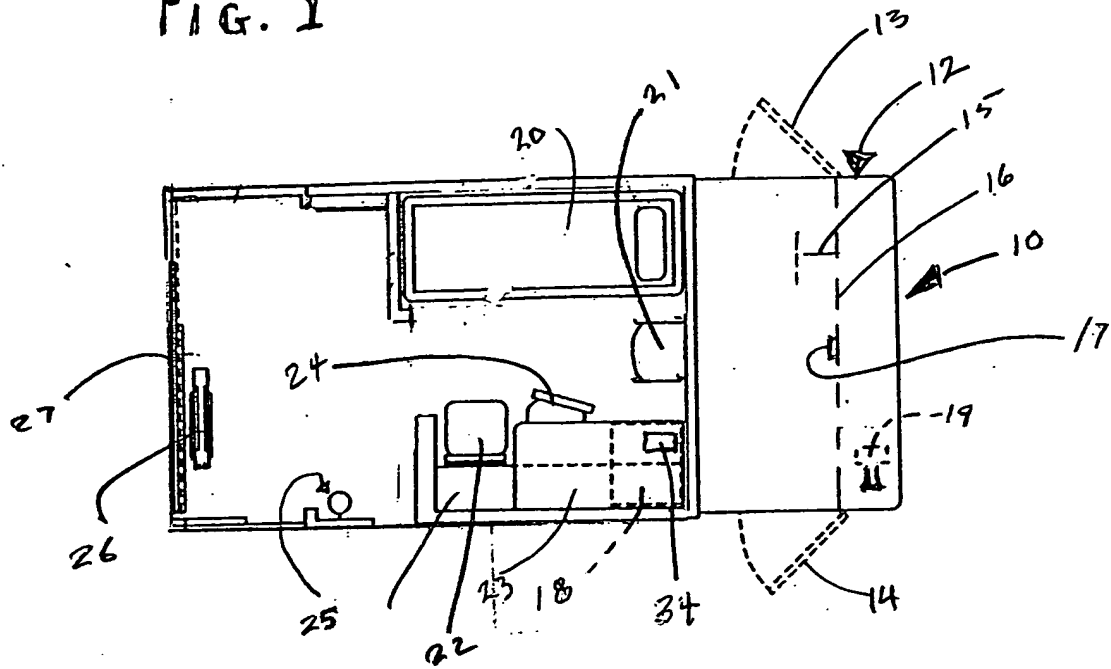


FIG. 2

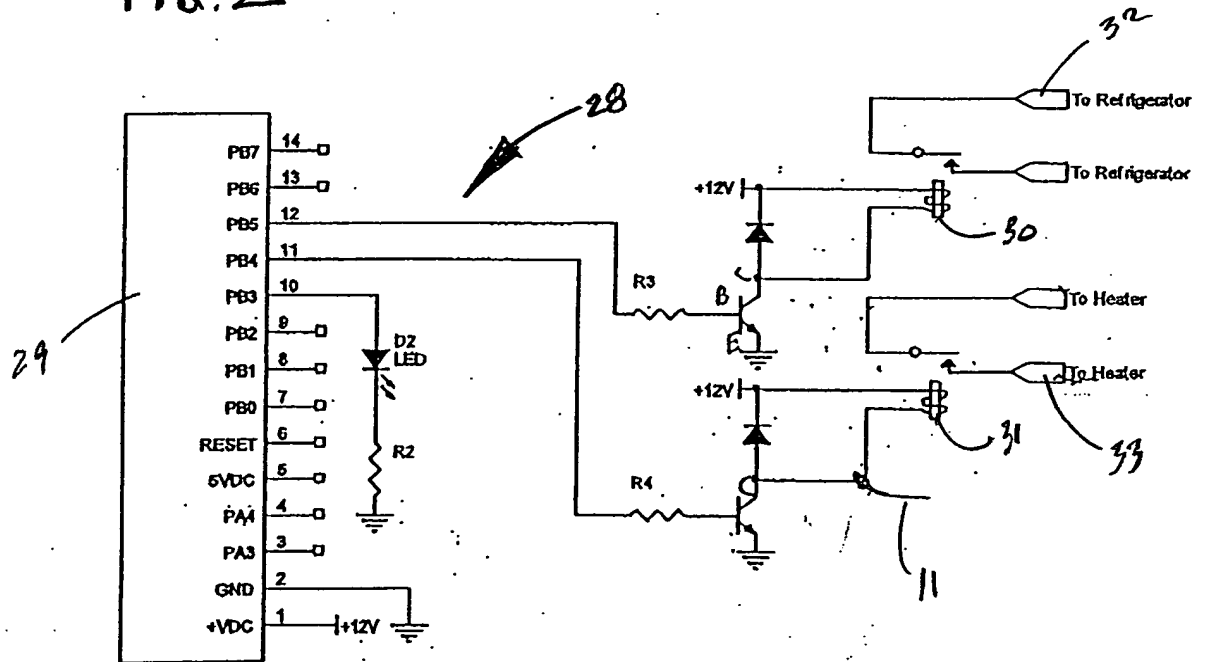


FIG. 3

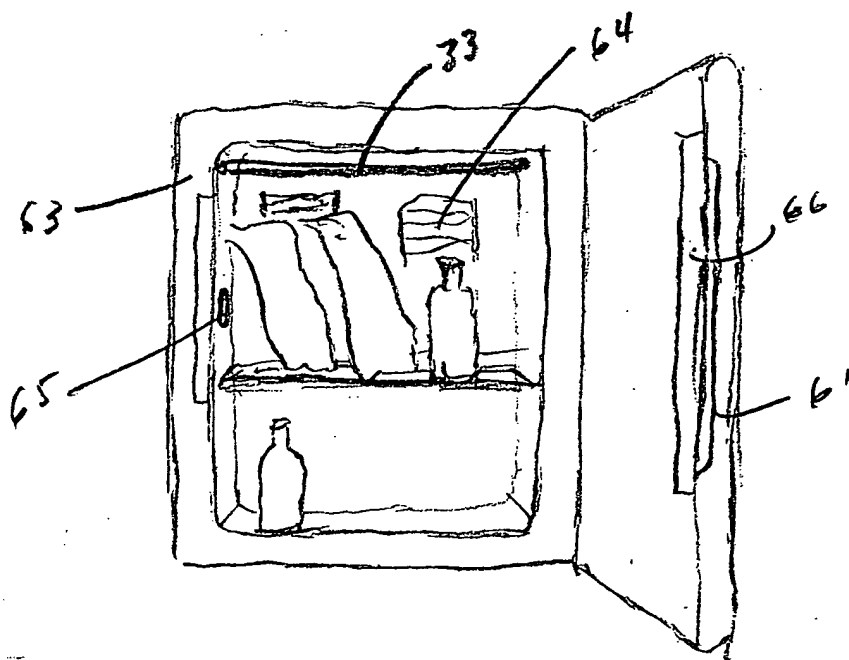
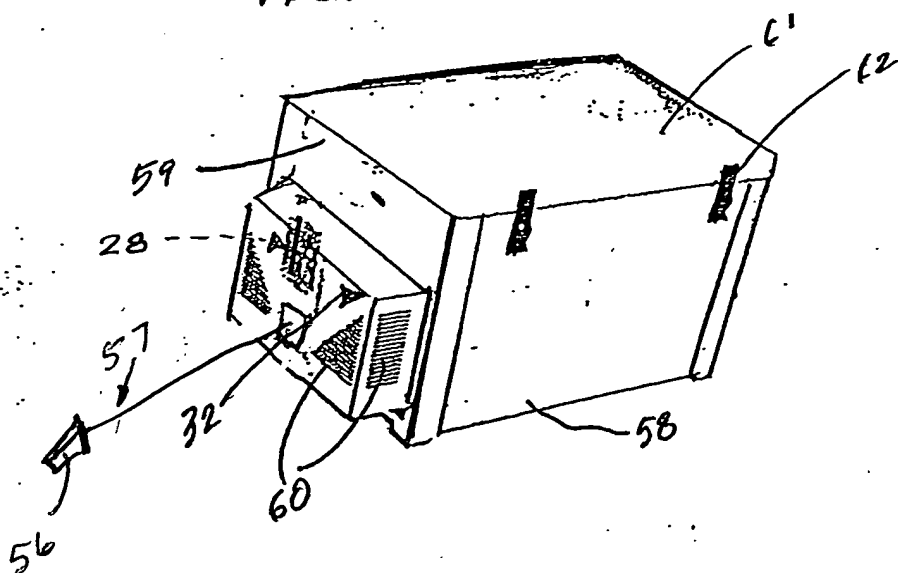


FIG. 4